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corrugated cardboard no pizza boxes or anything with food residue, please!

paperboard e.g., cereal, cake mix, tissue boxes or other containers without a wax coating

plastic containers marked with #1 or #2 (check bottom of container to identify)

glass containers, jars, bottles (clear, brown, or green)

aluminum & steel cans // please, no food residue!

used motor oil** max. of three containers per collection

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used appliances** / e.g., dishwashers, refrigerators, hot water heaters, stoves, washing machines, dryers

** used motor oil, tires, & appliances will only be collected from individual residences // to schedule collection of these items, you must call 467-4950

CURBSIDE COLLECTION CHECKLIST

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batteries of all types*

chemicals & pesticides

fire extinguishers

fluorescent light bulbs**

paint, solvents, and glues

plastic bags***

inkjet/laser printer cartridges****

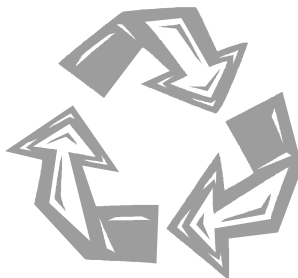
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CITY OF ROCKY MOUNT HOLIDAY



YOUR RECYCLING WEEK

NO COLLECTION ON THANKSGIVING DAY

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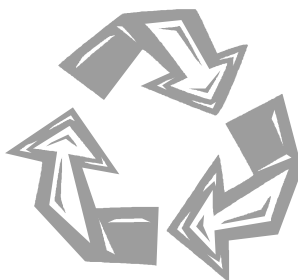
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HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

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